

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

HALTMEYER, John M.

Group Art Unit: 2132

Application No. 10/076,948

Examiner: ALMEIDA, Devin E.

Filed: February 19, 2002

For: THOROUGH OPERATION RESTRICTION

RESPONSE

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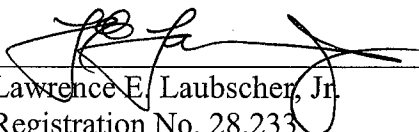
Sir:

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed January 12, 2010, submitted herewith is replacement page 4 for the Appeal Brief containing section (iii) Status of Claims. Section (iii) has been revised to contain a statement of the status of all claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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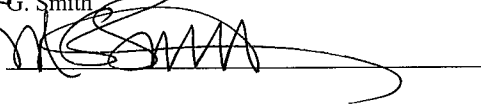

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(iii) Status of Claims

Claims 1, 2, 4, and 9 stand finally rejected by the Examiner as noted in the Final Action mailed September 1, 2009. The rejection of claims 1, 2, 4 and 9 is appealed. Claims 3 and 5-8 have been canceled.